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Re: STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 261), Union Pacific R.R. –
Abandonment – In New Madrid, Scott, and Stoddard Counties, MO

Dear Ms. Brown:

By decision in the above-referenced proceeding served June 17, 2009, the Board issued a Certificate of Interim Trail Use and provided for a 180-day time period in order to permit Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") and the City of Sikeston, Missouri ("Sikeston") to engage in negotiations regarding an interim trail use agreement. That negotiating period will expire on December 14, 2009.

Sikeston and UP have been engaged in negotiations regarding a trail use agreement, but do date, those negotiations have not led to the completion of a final agreement. The purpose of the instant letter therefore is to request that that Board grant an extension to this negotiating period by an addition 180 days in order to permit the Sikeston and UP to continue their ongoing negotiations.

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The undersigned has conferred with counsel for UP regarding this request for an extension, and has been authorized to state that UP joins in it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JH LeSeur', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

John H. LeSeur
An Attorney for the City of Sikeston, MO

cc: Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Esq.
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